

Amendments to the Claims:

claims 1-10 **(Canceled)**

11. **(New)** A four-directional control switch comprising:
a quadrangular switch case having first, second, third and fourth sides;
a first arm mounted to said switch case adjacent and parallel to said first side of said switch case, said first arm being at least half as long as said first side of said switch case;
a second arm mounted to said switch case adjacent and parallel to said second side of said switch case, said second arm being at least half as long as said second side of said switch case;
a third arm mounted to said switch case adjacent and parallel to said third side of said switch case, said third arm being at least half as long as said third side of said switch case;
a fourth arm mounted to said switch case adjacent and parallel to said fourth side of said switch case, said fourth arm being at least half as long as said fourth side of said switch case;
a controlling unit mounted to said switch case and including
a stick, and
a flange section, arranged to press and operate said arms upon tilting of said stick, formed at a lower end of said stick; and
four individual switches respectively disposed at four corners of an inner bottom of said switch case and being respectively operable by said arms.

12. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, wherein
said arms respectively include pressing sections which respectively confront said individual switches at positions at which said individual switches are operated.

13. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, wherein

said controlling unit further includes a first protrusion formed at a center of a bottom of said flange section, said first protrusion being arranged to come into contact with a center of said inner bottom of said switch case.

14. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, wherein said controlling unit further includes four second protrusions formed at an outer periphery of said flange section and being respectively operable to press and operate said arm.

15. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, further comprising a cover having a central hole, said flange section protruding through said central hole and being tiltably held by said cover.

16. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, wherein said switch case has hollows respectively formed at four corners of said inner bottom thereof; and
each of said four individual switches includes a fixed contact provided in one of said hollows, and a dome-shaped movable contact formed of an elastic thin metal plate and disposed above said fixed contact.

17. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 16, further comprising a pliable insulating sheet covering said hollows.

18. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11 further comprising:
a central switch, which works by pressing an upper section thereof, disposed at a center of said inner bottom of said switch case; and
wherein said controlling unit is mounted to be vertically movable, and said central switch works by pressing said stick vertically.

19. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11 further comprising a frame; and hinge sections for respectively coupling said frame with said arms in a manner that said arms can move vertically.

20. **(New)** The four-directional control switch of claim 11, wherein said arms, said hinge sections and said frame are formed in one piece of one of an elastic thin metal plate and an elastic resin.